GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PLANNING
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:218
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Poverty Alleviation Programmes
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Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) the allocation made and funds utilised under various schemes/programmes for poverty alleviation during the current Five Year Plan period, scheme/programme-wise;

(b) the targets fixed and achievement realised for poverty alleviation during the current Five Year Plan along with the percentage of population brought above poverty line during the said plan period, State/UT-wise and rural/urban area-wise; and

(c) the other measures being taken by the Government to eliminate poverty and improve the quality of life?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR MINISTRY OF PLANNING
AND MINISTER OF STATE FOR DEFENCE
RAO INDERJIT SINGH

(a) to (c): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (c) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 218* REGARDING POVERTY ALLEVIATION PROGRAMMES RAISED BY SHRI RAJU SHETTY AND SHRI HARISH CHANDRA ALIAS HARISH DWIVEDI FOR ANSWER ON MARCH 11, 2016.

(a) to (c): The Government of India inter alia is implementing various poverty alleviation programmes to improve the quality of life of people, namely, Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA), National Rural Livelihoods Mission (NRLM) renamed as Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana (DAY), Indira Awaas Yojana (IAY) and National Social Assistance Programme (NSAP) in rural areas and Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission (JNNURM), Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana- National Urban Livelihood Mission (DAY-NULM) and Pradhan Mantri Awaas Yojana- Housing for All (Urban) in urban areas. For sustainable and inclusive growth, a multi-pronged strategy is being adopted for poverty alleviation by increasing livelihood opportunities, providing social safety net and developing infrastructure for growth and improvement of quality of life. The allocation made and funds utilised under various schemes/programmes for poverty alleviation during the current Five Year Plan period, scheme/programme-wise are given at Annexure I.

State/UT- wise Scheme-wise physical achievement made during the current Five Year Plan period is at Annexure-II. As per poverty estimates of the erstwhile Planning Commission, the percentage of persons living below the poverty line in rural areas has come down to 25.7% in 2011-12 from 41.8% in 2004-05 and in urban areas it has come down to 13.7% from 25.7% in the same period. The State/UT-wise poverty ratio of 2004-05 and 2011-12 of rural and urban areas are given at Annexure-III.